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SUBJECT: JUSTICE PARTY ELECTS NEW SECRETARY GENERAL AND SIX
VICE-CHAIRMEN

REF: A) ANKARA 8584; B) ANKARA 8392

1. THE 115-MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE JUSTICE
PARTY MET IN ANKARA ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, AND ELECTED
NAHIT MENTESE (DEPUTY FROM AYDIN) AS THE PARTY'S NEW SECRETARY
GENERAL, SUCCEEDING NIZAMETTIN ERKMEN. ALSO CHOSEN WERE
SIX NEW PARTY VICE-CHAIRMEN:

SELAHATTIN KILIC (DEPUTY FROM ADANA)

NECMETTIN CEVHERI (DEPUTY FROM URFA)

ISMAIL HAKKI TEKINEL (DEPUTY FROM ISTANBUL)

SABIT OSMAN AVCI (DEPUTY FROM ARTVIN AND FORMER
PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY)

HUSEYIN OZALP (DEPUTY FROM SAMSUN)

KASIM ONADIM (DEPUTY FROM BURSA)

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(NOTE: THE JP NATIONAL CONGRESS (OCTOBER 21-23) AMENDED THE PARTY STATUTES TO EXPAND THE NUMBER OF VICE-CHAIRMEN FROM FOUR TO SIX.)

2. COMMENT: FOLLOWING DEMIREL'S OWN RE-ELECTION AS JUSTICE PARTY CHAIRMAN (REF B), THE ELECTIONS OF MENTESE TO THE POST OF SECRETARY GENERAL AND OF THE OTHER SIX AS PARTY VICE-CHAIRMEN (ALL KNOWN AS DEMIREL SUPPORTERS) ARE ANOTHER MAJOR VICTORY FOR DEMIREL, STRENGTHENING HIS CONTROL WITHIN THE PARTY. DEMIREL'S MANEUVERING ROOM, HOWEVER, CONTINUES TO BE LIMITED BY THE FACT THAT ANIT-DEMIREL CANDIDATES WERE ELECTED TO JP GROUP LEADER POSITIONS IN BOTH THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SENATE (REF A).

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